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January 12, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco
Chair of the Conservancy
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, California 924612

**RE: SUPPORT FOR COMPTON CREEK NATURAL PARK AT WASHINGTON
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT**

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I write to express support for the efforts of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to secure funding from the State Coastal Conservancy for the Compton Creek Natural Park at Washington Elementary School. The proposed project will restore habitat and improve public use amenities adjacent to the Compton Creek in a manner consistent with the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan and the Los Angeles River Master Plan.

For decades, residents of the Second District have been challenged by environmental injustice, including insufficient access to open space and inadequate educational opportunities regarding the importance of their local watershed. The development of the proposed Compton Creek Natural Park exemplifies our shared commitment to the development of joint-use projects that promote a green economy, improve water quality, and create healthy neighborhoods.

I look forward to working with the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority on future enhancements to the Compton Creek Watershed.

If you have any questions, please contact my deputy, Karly Katona at (213) 974-2222.

With hope,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Mark Ridley-Thomas", is written over the typed name.

MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
Supervisor, Second District
County of Los Angeles

cc: David Hayes, State Coastal Conservancy
Lisa Soghor, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority
Melissa Guerrero, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority

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December 30, 2010

Douglas Bosco
Chair of the Conservancy
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

**COMPTON CREEK NATURAL PARK AT WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY PROJECT,
STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY LETTER OF PROJECT SUPPORT**

Dear Mr. Bosco,

We support the efforts of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to secure funding from the State Coastal Conservancy for the Compton Creek Natural Park at Washington Elementary Project. The proposed project will restore habitat and improve public use amenities adjacent to the Compton Creek in a manner consistent with the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan and the Los Angeles River Master Plan. We look forward to working with the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority on future enhancements to the watershed.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at (310) 605-5590.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Arceneux

cc: David Hayes, State Coastal Conservancy
Lisa Soghor, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority
Melissa Guerrero, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority



COMPTON CITY HALL

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January 4, 2011

Douglas Bosco
Chair of the Conservancy
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, California 924612

Dear Mr. Bosco,

My name is Marjorie A. Shipp, I am a long-time resident of Compton, CA, a retired teacher and a member of the Compton Unified School District Board of Trustees for the past nine years.

I am submitting this letter in support of the Compton Creek Nature Park at Washington Elementary School. The Compton Creek Nature Park will be a great asset to the students as well as the entire community. The students will benefit by:

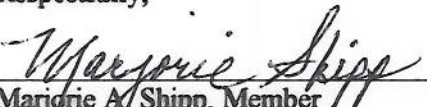
- Taking nature walks
- Learning about native plants, birds, bugs and other creatures that live in and around the creek
- Presenting plays and music recitals in the outdoor Amphitheater

This park will provide a safe environment where children will be able to play, learn and grow.

The Compton Creek Nature Park is in walking distance of the school and will allow families to utilize the exercise equipment; become physically fit, in order to promote good health; and enjoy the great outdoors.

Please accept my thanks in advance for your assistance in creating a lovely park for our community.

Respectfully,


Marjorie A. Shipp, Member
Board of Trustees

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cc:

✓ David Hayes, State Coastal Conservancy
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January 4, 2011

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RE: COMPTON CREEK NATURAL PARK AT WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY
PROJECT, STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY LETTER OF PROJECT SUPPORT

Dear Mr. Bosco,

The Compton Unified School District supports the efforts of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to secure funding from the State Coastal Conservancy for the Compton Creek Natural Park at Washington Elementary Project. The proposed project will restore habitat and improve public use amenities adjacent to the Compton Creek in a manner consistent with the Compton Creek Regional Garden Park Master Plan and the Los Angeles River Master Plan. We look forward to working with the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority on future enhancements to the watershed.

If you have any questions, please contact David Azcarraga, CFO, Division of Facilities Planning, Maintenance, Grounds, Operations & Transportation at (310) 639-4321 Ext. 42706, dazcarraga@compton.k12.ca.us.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen E. Frison", written over a horizontal line.

Karen E. Frison
Acting Superintendent

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cc: David Hayes, State Coastal Conservancy
Lisa Soghor, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority
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GAIL FARBER, Director

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IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO FILE: **WM-5**

February 8, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Attention Mr. David Hayes

Dear Mr. Bosco:

**COMPTON CREEK NATURAL PARK PROJECT AT
WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY GRANT APPLICATION**

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) is submitting a grant application to the State Coastal Conservancy to request funding for the Compton Creek Natural Park Project at Washington Elementary School. A portion of the project is being proposed for construction on property that is owned by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD). The project will include a walking path, landscaping, interpretive signage, and appurtenant structures along the east side of Compton Creek between 138th and Cressey Streets in the City of Compton. For your reference, the enclosed Conceptual Plan depicts the proposed project location.

The LACFCD has a history of working collaboratively with the MRCA on numerous projects. The LACFCD is currently developing a Use Agreement with the MRCA for this project and intends to execute the Agreement when it is acceptable to both parties. It is expected that the MRCA will assure that the Use Agreement meet all of the State Coastal Conservancy's grant requirements.

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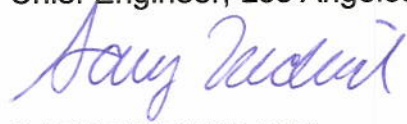
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February 8, 2011
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If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (626) 458-4300 or ghildeb@dpw.lacounty.gov or your staff may contact Ms. Terri Grant at (626) 458-4309 or tgrant@dpw.lacounty.gov.

Very truly yours,

GAIL FARBER
Chief Engineer, Los Angeles County Flood Control District



GARY HILDEBRAND
Assistant Deputy Director
Watershed Management Division

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tel: 310-221-0080

February 4, 2011

Douglas Bosco
Chairperson
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Subj: Washington Elementary Project: Compton, California

Dear Mr. Bosco:

The Harbor/Watts Economic Development Corporation is writing to express strong support for the Washington Elementary project in Compton, California. The Mountains and Recreation Conservation Authority has proposed the project for funding by the California State Coastal Conservancy.

The Washington Elementary project has merit on its own and as an important component of the overall effort among individuals, organizations and agencies to improve natural resources in urban Los Angeles. Close connections exist among resource protection measures and steps that advance science education, public health, outdoor recreation and the building of effective, long-term partnerships within local communities. These vital public policy goals converge and find excellent expression in the proposed project in Compton.

The project is consistent with the foundation Compton Creek and Los Angeles River watershed plans, as developed by the Watershed Council and others with staff and grant support from the Coastal Conservancy. The applicant Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority has a demonstrated, long-standing commitment to beneficial projects within the LA and Compton Creek Watersheds.

Our own community-based non-profit organization has worked on similar and related urban watershed issues since 1995, including organizing the first clean-ups along the Compton Creek in the City of Compton as part of Coastal Clean-Up Day. Most recently, we have worked with the Conservancy and others on implementing Compton Creek improvements in the Watts / City of Los Angeles portions of the watershed.

We thank the Conservancy for its on-going commitment to urban programs in Los Angeles and strongly support the proposed Washington Elementary project.

Very Truly,


Frank O'Brien
Harbor/Watts Economic Development Corporation